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THE NEWS OF THE WEEK

From All Parts of the New
World and the Old.

OF INTEREST TO OUR READERS

Comprehensive Review of the Important
Happenings of the Past Week
Culled From the Telegraph ColumnsOregon pheasants are to be "planted"
in Illinois.General Chaffee may be sent to the
Philippines to succeed General Lawton.
Prayer-meetings are being held in
Holland for the success of the Boer
army.The navy is in need of more training-
vessels and two first-class ones will
soon be asked for.Three wagon loads of mail will leave
on the transport Grant for the soldiers
in the Philippines.The Santa Fe is now a competitor
against the Northern Pacific for South
American business.A Paris dispatch says that the bank
of Russia has advanced the bank of
England \$8,000,000.Two big lawsuits have been instituted
in Chicago courts between Montana
cattle companies.Samuel Gompers has been unanimously
re-elected president of the
American Federation of Labor.The interstate commerce commission
will grant railroads more time to equip
their cars with safety appliances.A marvelous quartz discovery is
reported from Dawson. The ore assays
\$800 to the ton, and the ledge is a mile
wide.Senator Fairbanks has introduced a
bill granting a pension of \$2,000 yearly
to the widow of General Lawton. A
similar bill has been introduced in
the house.The National Association of Retail
Druggists is strengthening its forces to
fight the cut-rate druggists throughout
the country.Boers, with a sense of humor, sent
Raden-Powell, at Mafeking, a message
in a five-pound shell: "Don't drink
all the whisky; leave some for us
when we get in."The consul from the Orange Free
State in New York city reports that
many Americans have applied to him
for enlistment in the Boer army. The
majority of the applicants were soldiers
who fought in the Spanish-American
war.England's troubles are multiplying.
Abyssinia now threatens to turn upon
the British. Emperor Menelik has put
200,000 men in the field and is said to
be preparing for war over the
question of territorial rights. His
armament is in excellent condition.The senate will take up the currency
bill on January 4.The Negro uprising was caused by
the Filipino junta at Hong Kong.Two Chicago electricians are heirs to
an estate in Hungary worth \$4,000,000.Fire in Florence, S. C., destroyed the
city hall, hotel, bank and five
stores.The controller of the treasury found
that Admiral Sampson was allowed too
much pay.The remains of the late Lieutenant
Brumby were sent to Atlanta, Ga., for
interment.Eight lives were lost in the burning
of two big tenement houses in New
York city.Goebel is making preparations for his
coming fight against Governor Taylor,
of Kentucky.The transports Hancock and City of
Puebla have reached Manila with two
regiments of infantry.All aged employees of the Pennsylvania
railroad will be retired and pensioned
January 19, 1900.England has at last decided to send
more cavalry to South Africa. This is
according to Buller's wishes.Senator McBride, of Oregon, has in-
troduced a bill to increase the pay of
letter-carriers in large cities.Senator Shoup and party will visit
Arizona and New Mexico to report on
their application for statehood.General Lawton was killed while in
front of his troops at San Mateo, Luzon.
He was shot in the breast and
died immediately.The supreme court of Ohio has re-
versed its decision in the bribery case
of Attorney-General Monnett against
the Standard Oil Company. The
attorney-general furnished information
to the effect that he was approached by
Charles Squires, of New York, with a
bribe of \$400,000 if he would permit
the cases pending against the Standard
Oil Company to go by default. It was
claimed that Mr. Squires was the repre-
sentative of the Standard Oil Com-
pany. The decision dismisses the cases
on the ground that this fact was not
established.The Chicago and Northwestern road
added 298 miles to its lines during
1899.Governor-elect Nash, of Ohio, is a
widower, and the social duties of his
administration will devolve upon his
stepdaughter, Mrs. Babcock.Miss Mayme Jester, a niece of Buf-
falo Bill, is said to be the only female
present agent on the road. She left the
newspaper business to go into this new
field.Ex-President Harrison is one of the
busiest lawyers in the United States
and has probably the largest income
from a legal practice in the west.To mark the completion of Professor
Edward Gideon's 50th year as a teacher
in Philadelphia over 3,000 of his former
pupils attended a reception in his
honor.During the first nine months of
American occupation exports of mer-
chandise and gold coin from Havana to
the United States reached a total of
\$16,411,180 more than to all other
countries.

LATER NEWS.

An earthquake caused havoc in
Southern California.Admiral Dewey has reached the age
limit of 63 years, but he will continue
in service.The Grangers' warehouse at Rose-
burg, Or., was destroyed by fire; loss,
\$4,000, fully insured.Four men were killed by a train
wreck on the Northern Pacific near
Pernmouth, Montana.A six-story building, 90 years old,
was destroyed by fire in New York, en-
tailing a loss of \$80,000.At San Francisco the Carlisle In-
dians defeated the university of Cali-
fornia in a football game; score, 2 to 0.Julius Baldwin is dead at his home
at the Dalles. He was one of the old-
est and most prominent pioneers of the
Northwest.Thirty men perished in a colliery
horror caused by fire and explosion at
the Brazell mine, near Brownsville,
Pa.Laurier's French-Canadian following
is protesting against Canada sending
any more troops to help England in
South Africa.Mrs. Potter Palmer will be appointed
by President McKinley director of the
American woman's department at the
Paris exposition.The state department will investigate
the action of the British government
in seizing several cargoes of American
four of Delagoa bay.The trainwreck near Pomona, Cal.,
in which one life was lost and four
were injured, was caused by the break-
ing of a locomotive wheel.At Rome the pope solemnly inaugu-
rated the holy year by performing the
impressive ceremony of opening the
holy door of St. Peter's cathedral.Penitents threaten to make as much
trouble as possible for Great Britain,
and will hamper her operations in
sending troops from home ports.Twenty-one sailors from the British
steamship Ariosto were drowned in
Hatteras, N. C., surf. Their lifeboat
was swamped. Their companions
were subsequently rescued by the life-
saving service.The situation in the Philippines is
very gratifying to Washington officials.
The insurgent army has practically dis-
appeared from Northern Luzon, where
all ports will be open January 1. Otis
will then give his attention to the
South.The charred remains of W. J.
Thomas, a farmer, and his three chil-
dren, were found in the ashes of their
home, 11 miles southwest of Chil-
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presses the opinion that every husband
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full senatorial term of six years at an
aggregate rental of \$50,000.A monument, a granite shaft 70 feet
high, is to be erected on an eminence
at Erie, Pa., overlooking the lake, in
memory of the late Captain V. P. Grid-
ley, of the Olympia.Baroness Hirsch has given over \$5-
000,000 to charity since the death of
her husband.The total gold production of the
Cripple Creek district in November was
\$2,515,500, an increase of more than
25 per cent over the largest previous
monthly record.The supreme court of Minnesota, in
a case where a husband sought to se-
cure possession of his wife, aged 18
years, decided that girls under age 18
cannot marry without their parents' consent,
notwithstanding the state law on age
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MARCONI WANTS TOO MUCH

Exorbitant Price Asked for
Imperfect Invention.

WILL BUILD ONE OF OUR OWN

Navy and Army Geniuses Will Begin
Work at Once on an Instrument for
Wireless Telegraphy.Rome, Dec. 25.—A terrible disaster
took place this afternoon at Anagni,
the popular tourist resort on the Gulf of
Salerno. About 2 o'clock an enor-
mous rock, upon which stood the Cap-
pucini hotel, slid bodily into the sea
with a deafening roar and without a
moment's warning, carrying with it
the hotel, the old Capuchin monastery
below, the hotel Santa Caterina and
several villas. Many people were bur-
ied in the debris, which crushed four
vessels to the bottom of the sea, de-
stroying their crews. The mass of earth
which slipped was about 50,000 cubic
yards.The population is in a state of terror,
fearing fresh calamities. Troops have
arrived upon the scene and have begun
rescue work. It is believed that the
loss of life is heavy, including a num-
ber of monks and the occupants of the
hotel. As yet it is impossible to as-
certain the exact number.Anagni is a small, but lively town of
7,000 inhabitants, situated at the en-
trance of a deep ravine, surrounded by
imposing mountains, and rocks of the
most picturesque forms. The Capuchin
monastery was founded in 1212 by
Cardinal Pietro Caprano, for the Cis-
tercians, but came into possession of the
Capuchians in 1583. The building,
which stood in the hollow of a rock
that rose abruptly from the sea to a
height of 230 feet, contained fine sculp-
tures.

TRAGEDY AT A REHEARSAL.

Eleven School Children Burned to
Death at Quincy, Ill.Quincy, Ill., Dec. 25.—While a
school of St. Francis' par-
ochial school, Seventeenth and Vine
streets, were rehearsing this afternoon
for an entertainment to be given Tues-
day evening, the deaths of one child
on fire from a gas jet and 10 minutes
after four of them were burned to death,
two died an hour later, and five others
died before midnight. Half a dozen
others were burned more or less severely.The dead are: Irene Frieberg, Mary
Wavering, Mary Althoff, Bernardino
Freund, Collette Middendorf, Mary
Hickey, Wilhelmina Gottendorf, Olivia
Timpe, Addie Fatterer, Josephine
Bohne, Margaret Warner.All of these are between 9 and 11
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PROTECTED HER HOME.

Young Woman Shot and Killed an In-
truder.Natick, Mass., Dec. 25.—Lewis
Perry, aged 33, Spanish war veteran,
was shot and killed today by Miss
Lizzie Morse, at her home in West
Natick. Four shots were fired, two of
them taking effect, one in the heart.
Miss Morse, who was placed under ar-
rest, says that the circumstances just-
ified her in shooting Perry. The Morse
family is one of the wealthiest in the
best known in town. Miss Morse and
the members of her family claim that
Perry and Arnold Slappen, on bicycles,
rode up to the Morse house, demanded
admission without stating their busi-
ness, and, upon being refused, smashed
several windows. Miss Morse went to
the bureau drawer and loaded a 22-cal-
iber revolver. She claims that the
men went around to the front of the
house, where Perry finished smashing
the glass in one of the windows, and
climbed in, in spite of her remon-
strances. After gaining an entrance,
he grabbed Miss Lizzie Morse and
wrenched from her a croquet mallet,
with which she tried to protect herself.
Lizzie rushed to her sister's assist-
ance and informed Perry that she
could shoot him if he did not leave
her house. He gave her a terrific blow
with the mallet and fell her to the
floor. She managed to get up again,
and told Perry to get out of the house,
and he dared her to shoot. She then
fired four shots at Perry, who managed
to climb through the window and then
fell dead.

WANTED HIS PICTURE IN PRINT.

New York Man Shot His Wife and
Killed Himself.Binghamton, N. Y., Dec. 25.—John
Edgar Gardiner, in order to get his
picture into print, shot his young wife
and then killed himself today. Gard-
ner was 60 years of age, his wife 29.
They had been married about a year
and were living apart on account of
his bad habits. On several occasions
he had asked how she would like to
see his picture in a local paper. His
wife took fright at this, and forbade
him to speak to her on the subject. He
called at her house today and told
her he was going to be in the West.
She declined, and he forced his way in
through her apartments, saying, "See what
I have brought you," drew a revolver
and shot her twice, one bullet passing
through her arm, the other entering
her side. The woman was able to reach
the house, and a neighbor called.
When the police officers arrived Gard-
ner walked to the center of a room in
full view of the officers, and, placing
the weapon to his head, killed himself.

Crater Lake Park.

Washington, Dec. 25.—Among the
popular bills of the last congress was
the bill for the creation of Crater Lake
National Park, including Crater Lake,
and much of the surrounding country,
and the other is his bill providing for
the examination and classification of
the lands in the Roseburg and Oregon
City land districts within the grant
made to the Oregon & California Rail-
road Company. Both bills are practi-
cally the same as were presented in
the last congress.The bill proposes to set
aside a tract of 240 square miles, with-
out drawing it from settlement or sale
and making it a public park or pleas-
ure ground, to be known as the Crater
Lake National Park. This park, if es-
tablished, is to be under the control
of the secretary of the interior, who
will preserve the lands in their natural
condition and prevent all residence, min-
ing, lumbering or other business oper-
ations within its limits. The old pro-
vision for government lands, protecting
the public interest, is to be retained,
and expenses of creating the park shall
be borne by the general government.
It was this last provision that aroused
Speaker Reed against the bill last con-
gress, for he contended that any ex-
penditure should be borne by the state.
Now that Reed is out of con-
gress, the bill has a better chance
of becoming a law.

Wages Advanced.

Pittsburg, Dec. 25.—The Carnegie
Steel Company posted today, at its var-
ious works in this city, notices reading
substantially as follows:
"Taking effect January 1, 1900, com-
mon labor at these works will be in-
creased to \$1.50 per day, and all other
day and tonnage labor (with cer-
tain exceptions) will be increased in
proportion."The exceptions are the tonnage men
working under sliding scales, where
the rates of wages increase and decrease
in proportion to the proceeds of the
products. This adjustment is 7.41 per
cent advance on the wages now being
paid, making a total of 25 per cent
increase made by the company volun-
tarily since the last general scale.

Five Thousand Miles Introduced.

Washington, Dec. 25.—The officials
of the house of representatives have
struck a balance on the recent deluge
of bills, showing that up to the recess
the record stood: Total bills intro-
duced, 5,015; joint resolutions, 95;
simple resolutions, 65; grand total,
5,175 measures of all kinds.

Street Car Dynamited.

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 25.—For the
third time since the beginning of the
winter the Springfield consoli-
dated railway, November 10, a street
car was dynamited at 11:30 o'clock
last night. The car was blown off the
track and completely wrecked. No
passengers were aboard, and the motor-
ist escaped half dead, but the majority
were drowned. Thirty-five bodies have
been recovered, but others are still
missing.

Shocked and Bled 30 Feet to Death.

Seattle, Dec. 25.—Theodore Mayers,
a lineman in the employ of the Grant-
Street Railway Company, met death
this afternoon from the combined
effects of an electric shock and a 20-
foot fall from a pole, the fall being
caused by the shock. He was formerly
a resident of Los Angeles.

Calm Before the Storm.

Portland, Dec. 25.—Li Hung Chang
has been appointed acting viceroy of
Canton. It is believed this is prepa-
ratory to his degradation in compliance
with French demands.

LIVES WERE LOST

Horrible Disaster in a Small
Italian Village.

WERE HURLED INTO THE SEA

An Enormous Rock Loosened and Fell,
Carrying With It Hotels, Villas and
a Famous Monastery.New York, Dec. 25.—A special to
the Tribune from Washington says:
Rear-Admiral Bradford has asked au-
thority from the navy department to
establish a bureau at the naval training
station at Newport for the develop-
ment of a naval system of wireless tele-
graphy. It is proposed to select sev-
eral officers having high electrical
knowledge at this station and to fur-
nish facilities for study and experi-
ment, in the belief that something bet-
ter than Marconi's apparatus may be
devised.The project to secure Marconi's sta-
tion the navy has been practically
abandoned. In the first place the range
was found to be exceedingly limited,
especially when vessels were rolling in
a seaway, and their topmasts contin-
ually varied in height above the water.
Then there was the insuperable objec-
tion of interference, which compelled the
navy to abandon the project. The navy
has been unable to hold intelligent com-
munication when a third station within
their circle of sensitiveness undertook
to send a message to either point. This
defect destroys the value of the system
where more than two ships cruised in
the same vicinity, and it did not care to
send disturbing messages.Finally, Marconi's terms of \$30,000
for the first year and \$10,000 annually
thereafter were regarded as exorbitant
for the use of his half-developed inven-
tion. He declined absolutely to modify
his position, or to waive the money clause,
and to take 20 sets of apparatus or
more, and to pay \$500 outright for each
set and \$500 a year each as royalty
for their use. He refused to send two
or three sets for experimental pur-
poses, and gave American naval officers
no understanding of the value of the
business on a small scale when Eu-
ropean navies were fighting for the ex-
clusive use of his coherer and other es-
sential features, in spite of the system's
radical shortcomings, as discovered on
this side of the Atlantic. Marconi's
attitude toward the navy was scarcely
different, and the signal corps is going
ahead on a system of its own, which
avoids the Italian's patents, and al-
ready is said to be producing better re-
sults.Rear-Admiral Bradford believes that
spine of the electrical experts of the
naval equipment bureau, if the oppor-
tunity is given them, will produce ap-
paratus to meet the peculiar conditions
of the navy without appreciable ex-
pense, and in all probability the ex-
periment will be ordered.One station will be located at the
training station and the other at the
torpedo school, on islands about a mile
apart, and as progress is made other
stations will be set up at various points
in Newport harbor, where torpedo
boats are always available, with vessels
in motion or for miniature fleet evolutions.
Several forms of apparatus from
American inventors have already been
submitted for test, and doubtless others
will be received when the work is ac-
tually started.

Ended in a Free Fight.

Paris, Dec. 25.—A pro-Boer demon-
stration, convened this evening at the
Hotel de Ville by the executive com-
mittee of the Jeunes Royalistes, ended
in a riot. The socialists entered in
force and broke up the meeting, amid
indescribable uproar and shouts of
"Vive la social revolution," and "A
bas le monarchisme," with counter cries
of "Vive France!" and "Vive la France!"
Several nationalists who were present
endeavored to speak, but they were
quite inaudible. A free fight ensued
lighted the newspapers and continued
the fight, smashing the faces of the
journalists and using them as weapons.
Finally the police cleared the room, but
they were compelled to charge several times
before order was re-established.

The Light-house Is Dark.

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 25.—The light-
house steamer Quadra left this morn-
ing for Egg Island. Passing steamers
report no beacon showing at the light-
house. The keeper is frail, and
it is feared he may have died. He has
a little daughter, 3 years old, with
him.

Separate Sleeping Cars for Negroes.

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 25.—Governor
Candler today signed the bill prohib-
iting the sleeping car companies oper-
ating in the state from furnishing berths
to negro passengers, except in coaches
of the rear of the train for the accommo-
dation of negroes.

New York Aldermen Favor Boers.

New York, Dec. 25.—The board of
aldermen today adopted a resolution
praying "the God of battles" to make
the Boers successful in the war against
England. The resolution now will go
to the council, and if the body
curs, will come before Mayor Van
Wyck for his approval.

Instantly Killed.

Roseburg, Dec. 25.—A George Noah,
engineer at the Oregon Brewery & Ice
company, was instantly killed today
attempting to put on a pump belt, was
caught by a large pulley running at
high speed, and instantly killed. The
body was dreadfully mangled. No one
was present. The other employees on
the premises heard a scream, rushed to
the spot, and stopped the engine. The
victim's brains were scattered all over
the engine-room.

Soda Tank Exploded.